

Per the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the City of Long Beach welcomes **ADA-qualified service animals** that are individually trained to do specific work or perform specific tasks for a person with a disability. Dogs whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support are <u>not qualified</u> as service animals under the ADA.

Per California Penal Code 365.7(a), service animal fraud is a crime.

California Penal Code 365.7(a). Any person who knowingly and fraudently represents themself, through verbal or written notice, to be the owner or trainer of any canine licensed as, to be qualified as, or identified as, a guide, signal or service dog, as defined in subdivisions (d), (e), and (f) of Section 365.5 and paragraph (6) of subdivision (b) of Section 54.1 of the Civil Code, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months, by a fine not exceeding \$1000, or both that fine and imprisonment.

